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- Between 0630 and 0800 on 21 October 1954, large movements of soldiers wearing red-bordered black and black-bordered red epaulets were observed in the area of the former Pionierzeugamt on Magdeburger Strasse at Klosterneuburg. Eight SU-100 and four 85-mm AT guns or 76-mm field guns stood in the yard. Other materiel observed included 4 x 76-mm field guns, 2 x 37-mm AA guns, a four-barreled AA machine gun, an armored personnel carrier and about 60 other motor vehicles. The garages and tank sheds were still empty. The troops were apparently detained on the evening or during the night of 20 October. About 150 soldiers wearing red-bordered black and black-bordered red epaulets did excavation work on the drill ground southeast of the former Pionierzeugamt. Vehicles standing on this ground included 22 T-34/85 tanks and 10 sidecar-motorcycles.

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- Heavy traffic of soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank and motor transport insignia or without insignia was observed at the former Pionier Kaserne. Other soldiers wore black-bordered red epaulets with or without motor transport insignia. A platoon wearing black-bordered red epaulets and carrying entrenching tools entered the former Pionierzeugamt. About 20 vehicles of various types were seen in the yard of the Pionier Kaserne. Vehicular traffic between the kaserne and the railroad station included trucks driven by soldiers with black-bordered red epaulets, and trucks driven by soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets. Coal, fuel, containers and logs were unloaded at the railroad station.

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Comment. On 21 October 1954, the 46th Gds Mecz Regt had probably just returned to its home station at Klosterneuburg. A return of the 8th Gds Eng Bn could not be determined. It is noteworthy that SU-100 were parked in the yard of the former Pionierzeugamt. Since records available indicate that no SP guns belong to a mechanized regiment, it is believed that the SP guns belonged to another unit and were taken to Klosterneuburg to be redispached to their actual home station.

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